

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 4, insert the following heading:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

Page 5, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following heading:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--

Page 5, between lines 24 and 25, insert the following heading:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--

Page 6, between lines 17 and 18, insert the following heading:

--DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--

Page 7, replace the paragraph beginning on line 14 with the amended paragraph:

--In the case of the prior art, if the air flow is in the opposite direction, the tongue bends and moves away from the tongue carrier without vibrating. This is the reason for the presence of valves [[26]], each carrying a resilient return element [[28]], these valves preventing the untimely loss of air as explained above.--